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> Re: Your Request for Advice Our File No. A-84-303

Dear Mr. Apperson:

Thank you for your letter requesting advice regarding the application of Government Code Section 843081/ to the members of school district government boards.

QUESTION

Does Section 84308 apply to the members of the governing board of a school district if the governing board is elected by the voters of the district?

CONCLUSION

Section 84308 does not apply to the members of the governing board of a school district if the governing board is elected by the voters of the district.

DISCUSSION

Section 84308 generally prohibits any officer of a state or local government agency from accepting, soliciting, or directing contributions of \$250 or more from any person who is the applicant for, or is the subject of, a proceeding involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use pending before the agency, or from any person who actively supports or opposes a

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particular decision in a proceeding involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use pending before the agency and who has a financial interest in that decision.

Paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 84308 expressly excludes from the definition of "agency" local government agencies whose members are directly elected by the voters. Therefore, Section 84308 does not apply to the members of the governing board of a school district if the governing board is elected by the voters of the district.

If you have any further questions on this matter, please contact me at (916) 322-5901.

Very truly yours,

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Ms. Barbara Milman General Counsel Legal Division Fair Political Practices Commission Post Office Box 807 Sacramento, California 95804

Re: Assembly Bill 2992, Chapter 1681 -- A Copy Attached Hereto

Dear Ms. Milman:

Could you please advise me in writing as to whether or not you believe that newly amended Government Code Section 84308 applies to locally While I have elected school board members. formed a tentative opinion on this matter, it seems to me it is your opinion that is determinative and the reason Ι elicit same.

If protocol requires that my question be asked by a legislator or another, I would appreciate being so advised so that I can have the question presented in that way.

I greatly appreciate your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ron Apperson Legal Adviser

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